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PRICE \$2½ PER MONTH

## INTIMATIONS

**THE NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.**  
ESTABLISHED 1845.

TOTAL ASSETS ON 1ST JANUARY 1890 ..... \$21,434,634  
AMOUNT ASSURED ..... \$101,975,714  
SURPLUS BY NEW YORK STATE ..... \$3,221,041  
STANDARD  
BIRLEY, DALRYMPLE & Co.,  
Agents, Hongkong.  
Hongkong, 28th July, 1890. [a]688

## KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.

Are now showing a splendid assortment of Goods suitable for CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.  
Ladies' and Gentlemen's Fitted Dressing Bags and Dressing Cases.  
Writing Cabinets and Cases.  
Tourists' Cases and Blotters.  
Ladies' Hand Bags with or without fittings.  
Perfume Caskets and Cases.  
Jewel Cases.  
Photo Frames, Photo Screens and Photo Albums.  
Despatch Cases.  
Ink Stands and Writing Sets.  
Cigar and Cigarette Cabinets.  
Glove and Handkerchief Sets.  
Ladies' Companions and Necessaires.  
Fitted Work Boxes and Baskets.  
Oxidized Brush and Comb Sets.  
Folding Mirrors.  
Lemon Squeezer Stands.  
Pocket Books, Purses, Cigar and Cigarette Cases, Tobacco Pouches.  
Bibles, Prayer Books and Portuguese Mass Books in a variety of elegant bindings.  
KELLY & WALSH, LD. Hongkong. [20]

## THE MARINBURK FURNITURE COMPANY, LIMITED.

### CLEARANCE SALE.

An Opportunity that ought not to be missed.

OWING to our removal to "Connaught House" at the end of the current year, our Splendid Stock of Furniture and Upholstery is now offered for Sale at GREATLY REDUCED PRICES During the month of December.

DINING-ROOM SUITES, DRAWING-ROOM SUITES (in Coverings of the very latest Artistic Designs), BED-ROOM SUITES, BOOK-CASES, DAVENPORT, MARBLE TOP TABLES, and Furniture of every description.

All made expressly to suit our climate.

BRASS and IRON BEDSTEADS with Spring Mattresses and Beddings complete.

A Large Assortment of LACE CURTAINS.

Estimates Furnished Free on application.  
Hongkong, 1st December, 1890. [35]

## W. BREWER

Has received  
Tolson's "Kreutzer Sonata."  
Major Bartlett's "Diaries."  
Stanley's "Darkest Africa."  
Owen's Insurance Notes and Clauses.  
A fine Assortment of New Engravings and other Fine Art Goods.  
A magnificent display of New Parisian Novelties for Christmas.  
Tom Smith's Christmas Crackers.  
New Autograph Christmas Cards (only to be seen to be purchased).  
A splendid Lot of Juvenile Books—real treats for the Little Ones.  
A number of Sensible Toys.  
Dance Programmes, Menus.  
Dancing Shoes.  
Diaries and Date Books.  
WALTER W. BREWER,  
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL.

## LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

### CHRISTMAS, 1890!!

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR PRESENTS.

NEW ELECTRO-PLATED SILVER WARE.

FANCY GLASS AND CHINA.

FANCY LEATHER GOODS.

MENU AND GUEST CARDS.

NEW TABLE LAMPS.

PIPES AND CIGAR HOLDERS.

CHILDREN'S CARDS.

NEW IN-DOOR GAMES.

### CHILDREN'S TOYS.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS.

A quantity of the LATEST NOVELTIES Suitable for PRESENTS.

CHRISTMAS DELICACIES.

NEW SEASON'S PUDDING FRUITS IN BULK.

SOUPS—BEEF, TURKEY, &c., &c.

FISH OF ALL KINDS.

AND OTHER PATRIES.

Page-and-Onion Stuffing, Topped with Peas, Currants, Raisins, prunes, Chutneys, French and Vegetables, Assorted Pickles, Olives, Oranges and Rose Flower

## INTIMATIONS.

**DAKIN BROTHERS OF CHINA, LIMITED,**  
CHEMISTS, &c.

Are now showing a carefully selected assortment of Articles suitable for PRESENTS, including SILVER-TOPPED TOILET BOTTLES, BOXES, &c.; TANTALUS SPIRIT FRAMES, CLARET and CHAMPAGNE JUGS.

### SMOKERS' REQUISITES.

CIGAR and CIGARETTE CABINETS and POCKETCASES in Silver, Electro-Plate, Russia Leather, &c., all of the best workmanship and finish procurable.

TELEPHONE No. 60.

Nos. 22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. [a24]

**THE EAST BORNEO PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, That an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., No. 6, Ice-House Lane, at Noon, on SATURDAY, the 3rd JANUARY, 1891, when the following Resolution will be put to the Meeting:—  
"That the Directors of the Company be empowered, in conjunction with the General Managers of the Lamag Planting Company, Limited, and the General Managers of the Songei Koyah Planting Company, Limited, to accept the offer which has been made for the purchase of the lands, buildings, plant, machinery, steam launches, goodwill, cooie debts, and contracts, and growing crops of the three Companies for the sum of £40,000 sterling, this Company's share of the purchase money to be £13,333 6s. 8d."  
By Order of the Board of Directors,  
CHAS. F. HARTON,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 19th December, 1890. [2639]

**THE SONGEI KOYAH PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE is hereby given, That in pursuance of a Resolution duly made, in writing under Article 8 of the Company's Articles of Association upon the undersigned General Managers, the undersigned do hereby convene an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the COMPANY, No. 6, Ice-House Lane, for SATURDAY, the 27th DECEMBER, 1890, at Noon, when the following Resolution will be submitted, viz:—

"That the General Managers of the Company be empowered, in conjunction with the General Managers of the Lamag Planting Company, Limited, and the Directors of the East Borneo Planting Company, Limited, to accept the offer which has been made for the purchase of the lands, buildings, plant, machinery, steam launches, goodwill, cooie debts, and contracts, and growing crops of the three Companies for the sum of Forty thousand pounds sterling, this Company's share of the purchase money to be three hundred and thirty-three pounds, six shillings, and eightpence."  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 19th December, 1890. [2639]

**THE LAMAG PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, That an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., No. 6, Ice-House Lane, at 3.30 P.M., on SATURDAY, the 27th DECEMBER, 1890, when the following Resolution will be put to the Meeting:—

"That the General Managers of the Company be empowered, in conjunction with the Directors of the East Borneo Planting Company, Limited, and the General Managers of the Songei Koyah Planting Company, Limited, to accept the offer which has been made for the purchase of the lands, buildings, plant, machinery, goodwill, cooie debts, and contracts, and growing crops of the three Companies for the sum of £40,000 sterling, this Company's share of the purchase money to be £13,333 6s. 8d."  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 19th December, 1890. [2639]

**CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.**

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

IN accordance with Section 120 of the Articles of Association, the General Agents, with approval of the Consulting Committee, will on the 1st JANUARY, 1891, issue INTEREST WARRANTS of \$5 per Share, payable at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, the same being at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum on the Paid-up Capital of the Office for the year 1890, and Notice is hereby given that in order that the same may be adjusted, the Transfer Books of the Office will be closed from the 18th to the 31st instant, both days inclusive.  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Agents,  
Canton Insurance Office, Limited.  
Hongkong, 18th December, 1890. [2639]

**THE MARINBURK FURNITURE COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE is hereby given to HOLDERS of SHARES in the above Company bearing Nos. 501/575, 1428/1450, 1576/1585, 1816/1825 and 2031/2080, that unless the FINAL CALL of NINE DOLLARS per Share due on the 20th OCTOBER, 1890, be paid, together with interest thereon at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum from the said due date, to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on or before the 31st day of DECEMBER, 1890, the said Shares will be liable to be FORFEITED; and under provision of Section IX, Clause I, of the Articles of Association of the Company, the Board will pass the necessary Resolution for the Forfeiture of the said Shares.  
By Order of the Board of Directors,  
J. MARINBURK,  
Manager.  
Hongkong, 18th December, 1890. [2639]

**CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.**

ON THURSDAY next, the 25th instant, being CHRISTMAS DAY, and on THURSDAY, the 1st JANUARY, 1891, being NEW YEAR'S DAY, this OFFICE and the OPIUM EXAMINATION HUIE will be CLOSED to the transaction of all Business, but work at the Customs Stations will proceed as usual.

J. McLEAVY BROWN,  
Commissioner of Customs for Kowloon and District.  
Customs House,  
Kowloon, 18th December, 1890. [2639]

## INTIMATIONS.

**A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED.**  
(ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.)

**THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY, HONGKONG.**

WHOLESALE and RETAIL DRUGGISTS. ANALYTICAL, FAMILY, DISPENSING, and GENERAL CHEMISTS. PERFUMERS. PATENT MEDICINE PROPRIETORS. SEEDSMEN. WINE and SPIRIT MERCHANTS, CIGAR IMPORTERS, &c., &c.

MANUFACTURERS OF AERATED WATERS BY STEAM MACHINERY.

PHOTOGRAPHIC DRY PLATES. Apparatus, Chemicals, and Materials of all kinds suitable for Amateurs and Professionals, at Moderate Prices.

We beg to state that we import Drugs, Chemicals, and Goods of every kind of the best description only—no other quality is kept in stock.  
Our long experience and intimate acquaintance with the Trade, and the best sources of supply, enable us to purchase direct from the Producers on the very best terms, and thus give us an advantage which enables us to offer our constituents the benefit of a considerable reduction in the price of all our Specialities as compared with similar articles sold elsewhere.  
We wish it to be clearly understood that our prices cannot be beaten by any other firm in the Colony, and we trust it will soon become generally known that, quality for quality, our charges all round compare favourably with local rates, and in most instances with those ruling at home.  
Experienced qualified English Assistants ONLY are employed in the preparation and dispensing of Medicines.

**GOODS FOR COAST PORTS.**  
Whenever practicable, are despatched by first steamer leaving after receipt of order. Most articles can now be sent by the Local Parcel Post. All retail orders of the value of five dollars and upwards are sent freight and postage paid. Orders through Local Post or by Telegram receive prompt attention.

**A. S. WATSON & Co., LD.**  
**THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY, HONGKONG.**

**BRANCH ESTABLISHMENTS.**

**A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED.**

**THE SHANGHAI PHARMACY, SHANGHAI.**  
24, Nankin Road.

**BOTICA INGLEZA, MANILA.**  
Escalita, 14.

**THE CANTON DISPENSARY, CANTON.**  
Canal Road.

**THE DISPENSARY, FOOCHOW.**

**THE DISPENSARY, HANKOW.**

**THE DISPENSARY, TIENTSIN.**

**LONDON OFFICE.**  
106, Fenchurch Street, E.C.  
Hongkong, 14th April, 1890. [a2236]

**PRIVATE BOARD & RESIDENCE.**

**MRS. FALCONER** has vacancies for Gentlemen Resident Boarders at Kowloon.  
Hongkong, 10th January, 1890. [a]61

**THE CHINA BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

It is hereby notified, That the FIRST CALL of FIVE DOLLARS (\$5) per Share on Shares in the above Company is Payable to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on or before MONDAY, the 19th JANUARY, 1891.  
Interest at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum will be charged on all Calls overdue.  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 17th December, 1890. [2639]

**CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.**  
ESTABLISHED 1837

**WINE and SPIRIT MERCHANTS, ALE and STOUT MERCHANTS.**  
HONGKONG; 18, Queen's Road, SHANGHAI, 7, Fookchow Road, LONDON, 101, Leadenhall Street. [a]293

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**THE New Stem Winder and Enamelled Dial WATERBURY WATCH.**

Series J.—For Gentlemen, or large size.  
Series L.—For Ladies, or small size.  
Winds in less than a dozen turns; Jewelled, Dust-proof, Keyless, with all the \$4.75 latest improvements. A perfect and unrivalled timekeeper; reliable, durable and accurate.  
Series B.—The "Good old favourite." The best form of the original Waterbury: offered at the reduced price of \$2.70 each. Orders from Out-ports to be accompanied with remittance for cost.

**THE MITSUBU BUSSAN KAISHA**  
Sole Agents in Japan, China, Corea, Hongkong & Macao.  
No. 10, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, 21st February, 1890. [a]875

**THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LD.**

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Undersigned is prepared to purchase FRACTIONAL CERTIFICATES at current market rates. Persons holding same are requested to apply at the Company's Office, No. 4, PRATA CENTRAL.  
EDWARD OSBORNE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 3rd December, 1890. [2552]

**HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.**

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 15th to the 31st instant, both days inclusive.

F. W. CROSS,  
Manager.  
Hongkong, 15th December, 1890. [2639]

**NOTICE OF 5TH AND FINAL CALL.**

**LABUK PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE is hereby given, That the 5th and FINAL CALL of \$15 per SHARE, on the 4,000 Shares numbered 1001/5000, is PAYABLE to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on or before the 15th JANUARY, 1891, and CALLS not paid on said date are liable to pay interest at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum.  
The Transfer Books will be closed from the 5th to the 15th January, 1891, both days inclusive.  
TURNER & CO.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 15th December, 1890. [2533]

ESTABLISHED 1803

**MANDER BROTHERS.**

VARNISHES: Suitable for all climates and all purposes.

PAINTS AND COLOURS in variety and quality unsurpassed.

NON-POISONOUS DISTEMPER COLOURS.

For Art and other Decorative Work.

WOOD STAINS. PRINTERS' INK.

Offices, 17, GHAUCHOUR STREET, E.C.

Works at WOLVERHAMPTON, ENGLAND.

## SHIPPING

### ARRIVALS.

Dec. 18, PARATHA, British str., 2,085, John Panton, Vancouver 20th Nov., Yokohama 10th Dec., Kobe 12th, and Nagasaki 15th, General.—ADAMSON, BELL & Co.  
Dec. 18, HAITAN, British str., 1,183, S. Ashton, Swatow 18th Dec., General.—DOUGLAS LAFRAIE & Co.  
Dec. 19, TSINAN, British steamer, 2,460, W. N. Allison, Sydney via Port Darwin 24th Nov., General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.  
Dec. 19, AVOCHIE, British steamer, 1,055, T. Rowin, Kutchinotzu 14th Dec., Coals.—A. G. MORRIS.  
Dec. 19, EGRIA, British surveying ship, 740, A. M. Field, Singapore 27th November.  
Dec. 19, FRANK, Danish str., 387, C. A. Lund, Pakhoi 16th Dec., and Hoihow 18th, General.—ARNHOLD, KARBBERG & Co.  
Dec. 19, CHAS. G. WILSON, Am. sch., 56, J. V. Melander, Yap (Caroline Island) 9th Dec., General.—CAPTAIN.  
Dec. 19, LINNET, British g.-bl., from a cruise.

### CLEARANCES.

At THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, 19TH DECEMBER.  
Ajaz, British str., for Yokohama.  
Oceanic, British str., for Yokohama.  
Diamonds, British str., for Manila.  
Clara, German str., for Nagasaki.  
Memnon, British str., for Sandakan.  
Achilles, British str., for Singapore.

### DEPARTURES.

Dec. 19, JOHANN, German str., for Tournon.  
Dec. 19, FOKKEN, British str., for Swatow.  
Dec. 19, FALKENBURG, German str., for Saigon.  
Dec. 19, DIAMANTE, British str., for Manila.  
Dec. 19, OCEANIC, British str., for S. Francisco.  
Dec. 19, POLYPHEMUS, Brit. str., for Shanghai.

### PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.  
Per Partha, str., from Vancouver, &c.—Mrs. Rennie and Mr. Dennis, and 324 Chinese.  
Per Tsinan, str., from Sydney, &c.—Mr. and Mrs. Spicer, Messrs. Ito, Lucas, and Wood.  
DEPARTED.  
Per Oceanic, str., for Yokohama.—Mr. and Mrs. Austin. For London.—Messrs. Wm. Graham and J. G. Skipton. For Liverpool.—Mr. F. O. Osborne.

### REPORTS.

The British steamer Tsinan, from Sydney via Port Darwin 24th Nov., had fine weather throughout, with moderate monsoon.

The British steamer Haitan, from Swatow 18th Dec., had fresh to moderate easterly winds and overcast weather. In Swatow str. Haiphong.

The British surveying ship Egria, from Singapore 27th Nov., had fine weather to Labuan; from thence strong winds to Manila and to arrival here.

The British steamer Avochie, from Kutchinotzu 14th Dec., had strong N.W. gale and high sea to lat. 15; thence to Hongkong moderate N.E. winds and overcast weather.

The British steamer Partha, from Vancouver 20th Nov., Yokohama 10th Dec., Kobe 12th, and Nagasaki 15th, had light variable winds and fine weather throughout, except part of Inland Sea, where fog was encountered and caused delay.

### VESSELS IN DOCK.

ABERDEEN DOCKS.—Tongshan.  
KOWLOON DOCKS.—Cheung Hock Kian, Cheung Hye Teng, Falkenburg, Piccola, Powan, Abyssinia, Pembroke, shire, Clara, Thales.  
COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—Phra Chula Chom Klao.

### VISITORS AT HOTELS.

HONGKONG HOTEL.—Messrs. E. E. Abrahamson, J. J. Aubertin, Col. Pierre d'Ants and Mme. d'Ants, Messrs. G. B. Baxter, M. Bonnat, H. L. Cox, R. W. Dean, Miss Dean, Mrs. and Miss Delafeld, Messrs. Lalloumont, Dumontier, D. Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. de Golboi, Major and Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Heathcote, Mr. Robt. Jones, Rev. and Mrs. L. H. Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Kinney, Major-General Knowles, Messrs. R. Lucas, W. H. Lyon, jun., Signor and Signora Majeroni, Messrs. J. Marshall, H. F. Meyer, John Mitchell, H. E. and Mme. Palle and family, Capt and Mrs. Phillips, Messrs. T. H. Pill, A. M. Quill, H. S. Roberts, Sidney Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Spicer, Mr. G. Skipton, Miss Edith Storm, Miss D. Storm, Messrs. Ludwig Strauss, D. Thorpe, Miss A. Tilden, Miss B. Tilden, Messrs. E. M. Tozer, Frank L. Warren, S. H. Watts, E. M. Wood, N. Wood.  
VICTORIA HOTEL.—Capt. A. Benson, Miss L. Booth, Messrs. F. Bornemann, A. W. Brewin, Miss Amy Childs, Miss Dolly Childs, Mr. St. Croix, Mrs. Eichel, Messrs. T. Empson, Miss Esmaie, Messrs. F. Fletcher, H. Hamed, Miss Hodge, Miss D. Inman, Capt. and Mrs. C. Johnson, Messrs. Kotof, Miss D. Lee, Miss A. Meliland, Mr. Tammy Nakagawa and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. Nichols, Captain D. D. O'Keefe, Miss F. Peters, Mr. and Mrs. Pyne, Mr. Rabe, Miss A. Santley, Miss F. Stanley, Miss Lizzie Scheiherke, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stanley, Miss F. Stephenson, Messrs. W. Tarn, A. M. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Towers, Messrs. Geo. Trimmell, James W. Watson.

### TO-DAY.

Meeting of Legislative Council, 11 a.m.  
Meeting of High-Level Tramways Company, 11 a.m.  
Cricket Match, 11.30.  
Sale of Furniture, &c., at Lammert's Sale Rooms, 11.30 a.m.  
Sale of Camellia Plants, noon, at Armstrong's Sale Rooms.  
Sale of Furniture at Hampton House, 2 p.m.; Mr. Armstrong, auctioneer.  
Presentation of Victoria Regatta Prizes, Club Gymnasium, 6 p.m.  
Meeting of Zealand Lodge, 8.30 p.m.  
"The Colleen Bawn" at Theatre Royal.

### CHRISTMAS, 1890.

THE Undersigned is now prepared to supply CHRISTMAS CAKES of the Best Quality, weighing from 1lb. to 10lbs., ready on hand, and also MINCE PIES, ASSORTED CAKES, &c., &c.  
D. NOWROJEE,  
Hongkong, 16th December, 1890. [2637]

### PRIZE 2660 PARIS.

**QUINA-LAROCHE**

**LAROCHE'S CINCHONA WINE**  
"It is an agreeable and doubtless highly efficacious remedy." (THE LANCET).  
This Vinous-Elixir is the most powerful and valuable of the preparations of cinchona as a strengthening and antifebrile restorative. Been employed, in cases of weakness and general debility, loss of appetite, change of life, fever, nervousness, exhaustion, &c.  
Also prepared with IRON  
Dyspepsia, purifying the Blood, for America, Chlorosis, for Scrofulous Affections, &c.  
PARIS, 22, RUE DEVOY 22, PARIS. [766]

**ROWLANDS' KALYDOB**  
Cools and refreshes the face and hands of all exposed to the hot sun and dust, eradicates freckles, sunburn, tan, &c., and produces a beautiful and delicate complexion.

**ROWLANDS' ODONTO**  
whitens the teeth, prevents decay, and gives a pleasing fragrance to the breath.

**ROWLANDS' MACASSAR OIL**  
preserves and beautifies the hair, and can be also had in a golden colour.

Sizes 3/8; 7/-; 10/6.  
Ask Chemists for Rowlands' Articles, of 20, Hatton Garden, London.

Wholesale and Retail Agents for China:  
A. S. WATSON & Co.,  
Shanghai.

## INTIMATIONS.

## DINNEFORD'S FLUID MAGNESIA.

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The best Remedy for Acidity of the Stomach.

DINNEFORD'S FLUID MAGNESIA.  
For Heartburn and Headache.  
For Gout and Indigestion.

DINNEFORD'S FLUID MAGNESIA.  
The best Mild Aperient for Delicate Constitutions, Ladies, Children, and Infants, and for regular use in Warm Climates. DINNEFORD & Co., Chemists, London, and of Druggists and Storekeepers throughout the World.  
N.B.—Ask for DINNEFORD'S MAGNESIA.  
Agents—A. S. Watson & Co., Hongkong. [378]

## HONGKONG TRADING CO., LD.

INEXPENSIVE  
CHRISTMAS  
TOYS  
AND  
FANCY  
GOODS  
FOR  
CHRISTMAS  
PRESENTS.

HONGKONG TRADING CO., LD.  
Hongkong, 18th December, 1890. [23]



A. S. WATSON & COMPANY  
LIMITED.  
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.  
MANUFACTURERS OF AERATED  
WATERS.

Our New Factory has been recently refitted with automatic Steam Machinery the latest and most approved kind, and we are well able to compete in quality with the best English Makers.

The purest ingredients only are used, and the utmost care and cleanliness are exercised in the manufacture throughout.

LARGE BOMBAY "SODAS"  
We continue to supply large bottles as heretofore, free of Extra Charge, to those of our Customers who prefer to have them to the ordinary size.

COAST PORT ORDERS,  
whenever practicable, are despatched by first steamer leaving after receipt of order.

For COAST PORTS, Waters are packed and placed on board ship at Hongkong prices, and the full amount allowed for Packages and Empties when received in good order.

Counterfoil Order Books supplied on application.

Our Registered Telegraphic Address is, DISPENSARY, HONGKONG.  
And all signed messages addressed thus will receive prompt attention.

The following is a List of Waters always kept ready in Stock—  
PURE AERATED WATER,  
SODA WATER,  
LEMONADE,  
POTASH WATER,  
SALTZETTER WATER,  
LITHIA WATER,  
SARSAPARILLA WATER,  
TONGIC WATER,  
GINGER ALE,  
GINGERADE.

No Credit given for Bottles that look dirty, or grubby, or that appear to have been used for any other purpose than that of containing Aerated Water, as such Bottles are never used again by us.

A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED,  
Hongkong, China, and Manila. [2-19]

## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 20TH, 1890.

The P. & O. steamer Verona left Nagasaki for this port on the 18th inst. at 5 p.m.

His Excellency the Acting Governor will receive visitors at Government House this afternoon.

The Agents (Messrs. Adamson, Bell & Co.) inform us that the C. P. steamer Batavia arrived at Vancouver on the 17th inst.

Members of the Hongkong Cricket Club wishing to play in the "pick up" to-day are requested to be on the ground punctually at 11.30 o'clock a.m.

The U. S. S. Alliance, Captain Taylor, arrived at Nagasaki on the 4th inst., twenty-five days out from the Samoa Islands, having called at Singapore en route. She expected to leave in a few days for Chemulpo.

The extraordinary meeting of the shareholders in the Green Island Cement Company, Limited, which was to have been held to-day in the Hongkong Hotel, has been postponed to Saturday, the 3rd January.

The following has been added to the orders of the day for to-day's meeting of the Legislative Council.—Third reading of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to provide for and regulate a Pension Fund for widows and children of public officers of the colony."

H.M.S. surveying ship Egeria, Captain Field, arrived here yesterday from Singapore via Labuan and Manila. Deep sea soundings were taken during the passage. An able seaman named John Heathman died during the voyage from Manila to Hongkong.

Another arrest in connection with the Namoo piracy was effected yesterday morning at Tsimshui by a Chinese detective. The accused, who is an old salt smuggler, was brought before Mr. A. G. Wise in the Police Court, and formally remanded till Tuesday next.

To-morrow morning, between 9 and 10.30 o'clock, the steam launch Dayspring, carrying the Bethel flag, will call alongside any vessel hoisting code pennant C, to convey men ashore to 11 a.m. service at St. Peter's (Seamen's) Church, returning about 12.30.

The property known as Section B of Marine Lot No. 225, with the houses standing thereon, Nos. 135, 140, 142, and 144 Wing Lok Street, was to have been put up to auction yesterday afternoon by Mr. J. M. Armstrong, but was withdrawn from sale at the last moment.

The very neat and handy desk calendar issued by the Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited, for 1890 was greatly appreciated, being still in use in most offices in the Far East, and those who have found it a convenience will be glad to welcome its successor for 1891, which is in exactly the same form and style.

The British gunboats Linnet and Firebrand returned to port yesterday afternoon after an unsuccessful search for the Namoo pirates. The course taken by the former gunboat was, we understand, to the southward and eastward, whilst the latter gunboat went north, touching at several places. At Lam Shu Bay a number of Shaukiwan fishing junks were met with, and on Mendocina Island the Pimoi people were unable to give any further particulars than what is already known regarding the junks that were seen in the vicinity of the Island on the 10th inst. At another place named Kanto the inhabitants had never heard of the affair, whilst the mandarins of a district not far distant had rewards placed about for the arrest of any of the piratical band. During the cruise two Chinese gunboats were met with which were also engaged in the search, but so far they have been unsuccessful with any result.

The Chief Justice, Sir James Russell, with a party of friends witnessed a performance at the Ko Shing Theatre last night.

Leung Tak, an ex-cis officer employed by the Dress Opium Farmer, was yesterday charged at the Police Court before Mr. A. G. Wise with entering a Chinese gambling-club in Stanley Street and stealing \$15. The case was remanded till the 22nd inst.

We learn that the Hongkong Hotel Company are subdividing their present shares of \$100 each into shares of \$50, and intend to increase the subscribed capital to \$800,000 by issuing 6,000 new shares at 20 per cent. premium, one half of which, that is \$25 per share, together with half the premium, to be payable on the 31st March.

The Yokohama papers state that the latest information relative to the N. Y. K. steamer Tokio Maru, which is badly ashore at the south of Suonagaki, near Nohama, is that there is some hope of getting her off, but she is considerably damaged. It is already known that one of her bilges is badly stove in. The steamer Ise Maru has also been ashore at Tautsasaki, but was got off without serious damage.

The Japan Daily Herald understands that news has been received from home that the representative in England of the Yokohama community has presented to the Marquis of Salisbury the resolutions adopted at the recent public meeting, and has received from the Prime Minister an assurance that the views of the residents will receive due attention whenever the time for consideration of the subject shall arrive.

There was a crowded house in the Theatre Royal on Thursday night, when Signor Majeroni, supported by the Stanley Opera Company, produced the drama of the "Old Corporal." The performance was an unqualified success, and the impersonation by Signor Majeroni of Corporal Simon was a genuine piece of artistic acting of the highest type. The audience were enthusiastic and the success so complete that it has been arranged to give a repetition of the drama on Tuesday night, when those who failed to see this really fine representation will be afforded a last opportunity of doing so.

The Tokyo Jiyu Shinbun says:—If the Cabinet should approve of a proposal put before it by Viscount Aoki as to certain changes in the diplomatic service, a very important step will be taken. The new measure will involve the transformation of the Japanese representatives at the Courts of England, France, Germany, Austria, Russia, the United States, &c., into Shinnin-kwan (officers appointed directly by the Emperor). Their terms of office will be extended from three to five or seven years, and they will thus be enabled to acquire more extensive and varied knowledge of the countries to which they are accredited, while the heavy expenditure necessitated by frequent changes of Ministers will be avoided. A difficult point will be encountered in finding men suitable for these posts, but it seems that the names of Viscount Enomoto, Viscount Miura, and Mr. Hanabusa have so far been received with approval, and in all probability two members of the present Cabinet will be deputed to represent their country abroad, so that indirectly the changes will create vacancies in the Central Government.

## SUPREME COURT.

19th December.

## CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR JAMES RUSSELL, CHIEF JUSTICE.

## LARCENY.

Wong Yee Hing was charged with the larceny of seven pieces of clothing, the property of Lam Kum, on the 1st January, 1890.

The prisoner pleaded not guilty.

The following were the jurors:—Messrs. F. W. Hermann, F. A. Orazio, H. H. Blake, H. Carmichael, S. S. Benjamin, C. Grant, and H. E. Denson.

Mr. A. J. Leach, who appeared on behalf of the Acting Attorney-General, prosecuted, and in opening the case said the prisoner was charged with stealing seven pieces of clothing. The case was a very simple one. The complainant gave the prisoner, who was a working tailor, the clothing to make up into pants and so forth. The garments not being returned in an ordinary house on the 19th January but found the prisoner had gone. Information was given to the police and the clothing was found in several pawnshops of the colony. The prisoner was not again seen till about the middle of November, when he was arrested and charged.

The evidence of the complainant together with that of several pawnbrokers, to whom the clothing had been pawned, was then taken.

The prisoner made a statement admitting pawning the clothing, but said he had paid \$25 to the complainant's family in order that he should not be proceeded against.

The jury returned a unanimous verdict of guilty.

His Lordship passed a sentence of six months' imprisonment with hard labour.

## THE CHARGE OF ARSON.

Kun Kwang was charged with feloniously and maliciously setting fire to a dwelling house, No. 35, Bridges Street, on the 20th November last.

The prisoner pleaded not guilty.

Mr. A. J. Leach prosecuted on behalf of the Acting Attorney-General, and said the prisoner was charged with setting fire to a house while people were asleep on the premises on the 20th November. The prisoner formerly lived in the house, which appeared to be a coolie house, with a woman, and having quarrelled with her he left it for some days, returning on the night of the 19th. The woman ordered him away, and a quarrel ensuing, a man living in the same house interfered and struck the prisoner twice. The prisoner then left, and in doing so made use of an expression of a threatening nature. There was no direct evidence, but there was the evidence of a quarrel, a threat, and the fire. When the prisoner was arrested his clothing and hands smelt of kerosene, and it was afterwards found that kerosene had been made use of at the fire.

Leung Kow, cook, who at the time in question lived in the house, gave evidence of hearing a quarrel between the prisoner and a woman, and also as to his (witness) striking the prisoner twice. About 1.30 a.m. on the 20th ult. he was awakened by hearing a cry of "fire," which was found to be between the partition of the stairs and the wall.

Sergeant Mann and Kwong Fat, P.C. 219, gave evidence of arresting the prisoner in Tank Lane at 3 a.m. on the 20th November, and his jacket and hands smelling of kerosene.

The jury returned a unanimous verdict of guilty.

Sentence deferred.

## VICTORIA REGATTA.

SECOND DAY.

The weather conditions yesterday were much the same as the previous day, and the different events, though not devoid of interest, were never at any time particularly exciting. The International Race, for which on y two crews entered—English and Scotch—was a foregone conclusion, the English crew leading throughout.

INTERNATIONAL RACE. "CHALLENGER CUP." For four-oars; cup presented by J. S. Lapraik, Esq., to be held by the winning crew for one year; but to remain the property of the Club; distance, one-mile-and-a-half; entrance, \$10; to be rowed in boats the property of the Victoria Recreation Club.

"Look."—First.  
Station No. 2.—  
Bow, H. P. Wadman, 10st. 11lb.  
No. 2, W. H. Sotte, 11st. 10lb.  
No. 3, G. C. C. Master, 10st. 7lb.  
Stroke, J. D. Hickley, 11st. 6lb.  
Cox, G. A. Caldwell, 9st. 0lb.

"Thistle."—Second.  
Station No. 1.—  
Bow, F. D. Dundas, 10st. 8lb.  
No. 2, E. L. Duncan, 10st. 7lb.  
No. 3, Captain Henderson, 11st. 6lb.  
Stroke, A. G. Stephen, 11st. 4lb.  
Cox, R. de C. Boyd, 9st. 3lb.

This race was understood to be almost a foregone conclusion, the English starting strong favourites, and events proved that the confidence was not misplaced. At the start the English crew got away with a little the advantage, and the was maintained to the finish. After the first quarter the English were leading by nearly a length, but the Scotch crew were rowing well within themselves, and their backers by no means lost hope. At the half-mile, however, there was daylight between the boats and the English was improved. Occasionally the Scotch

crew put on a spurt, but this was always responded to by the opposing crew, who never allowed the distance between the boats to increase. After the mile was covered the English were leading by about three lengths. Over the last quarter the Scotch decreased the distance between the two boats by about half the distance, but when nearing the winning post the English quickened their stroke and won by about four lengths. Time, 11 mins. 25 secs.

SENIOR SCULLS.—Open to any member of the Victoria Recreation Club; distance, one mile; entrance fee, \$5; cup presented by the Parnoe community.  
No. 1, Skitt 11st. 5lb.  
E. B. Shepherd, 10st. 6lb.  
The two boats rowed together for the first half, down lengths when Skitt went ahead quickly, and at the quarter was leading by a couple of lengths. Shepherd was evidently very much out of training. Skitt gradually increased his lead, and at the three-quarter mile Shepherd threw up the race, leaving Skitt to win as he pleased. Time, 8 mins. 27 secs.

FOR HEAVY GIGS; open to European Non-Commissioned Officers and men of any Regiment or corps of the Garrison, or to European members of the Police Force; the boats to be approved by the committee; distance, one mile; time allowed for oars, 8 seconds per oar; four boats must start for two prizes; entrance, \$1; first prize, \$15; second prize, \$5; (the winner of race No. 2 first day to be excluded).

Five boats started for this race. After a good contest the result was as follows:—  
1. A. S. Highlanders' Lounge.  
A. S. Highlanders' Sutherland.  
2. FOR MEN-OF-WAR'S CUTTERS.—Distance, one mile; entrance, \$1; first prize, \$15; second prize, \$10; time allowed for oars, 4 seconds per oar; boats to be approved by the committee; (winner of 11th race 1st day to be excluded); four boats to start for two prizes.

Five boats started, and after a well rowed race the Alacrity came in the winner. The Imperieuse should have had the race, but with the allowance for the Alacrity's crew they managed to take the prize.

"GARRISON CUP," presented by the officers of the garrison; for four oars; distance, one mile; entrance, \$10; to be rowed in boats the property of the Victoria Recreation Club or boats similar in build to those belonging to Victoria Recreation Club.

"Thistle."—First.  
Station No. 5.—Black and White.  
Bow, H. P. Wadman, 10st. 11lb.  
No. 2, F. G. Young, R.E., 10st. 6lb.  
No. 3, G. L. Duncan, 10st. 6lb.  
Stroke, G. C. C. Master, 10st. 7lb.  
Cox, G. A. Caldwell, 9st. 0lb.

"Look."—Second.  
Station No. 3.—Admiral's Flag.  
Bow, P. V. Oliver, 10st. 12lb.  
No. 2, H. W. Metcalfe, 10st. 7lb.  
No. 3, E. B. Gard, 11st. 1lb.  
Stroke, J. D. Hickley, 11st. 6lb.  
Cox, H. C. Brookbank, 9st. 0lb.

"Victoria."—Third.  
Station No. 2.—Scarlet and White.  
Bow, F. C. Dundas, 10st. 8lb.  
No. 2, Captain Robinson, 11st. 3lb.  
No. 3, F. L. Jackson, 12st. 7lb.  
Stroke, Captain Henderson, 11st. 6lb.  
Cox, R. de C. Boyd, 9st. 3lb.

Station No. 1.—Dark-blue and White.  
Bow, P. S. Bent, 10st. 10lb.  
No. 2, C. E. Lafonts, 10st. 12lb.  
No. 3, T. E. Griffiths, 11st. 10lb.  
Stroke, S. F. Read, 12st. 3lb.  
Cox, G. F. Watts, 9st. 4lb.

"Rose."—Fourth.  
Station No. 4.—Red and White.  
Bow, C. H. Thompson, 10st. 12lb.  
No. 2, A. H. Ough, 10st. 11lb.  
No. 3, A. Duer, 10st. 10lb.  
Stroke, H. Skott, 11st. 5lb.  
Cox, H. Sampson, 9st. 13lb.

One of the best rowed races of the day, the result hanging in the balance to the last minute. At the start the Thistle led, but the Look and Victoria were quickly on even terms with her, and at the first quarter the three boats were well in line, the Victoria if anything having the advantage. The Victoria and Look then went ahead, and at the half-mile the Victoria was leading by about half a length, the Look being second with rather more advantage from the Thistle, the other two boats being some three lengths behind. At the three-quarter mile the Victoria had still the lead by about half a length, but shortly after the Look overhauled them and managed to keep in front by about half a length. Up to the last hundred yards the race seemed to be in the hands of the Look, but at this distance the Thistle, splendidly stroked of Master, came well up and passed the jockey about half a length in front by the Look. Time, 7 mins. 7 secs.

"The water was rough, the pace it was fast," thus sang the crew from Canton.

"So though we were big, we weren't quite on, in fact we were too big to last."

"Oh, hail 'Victoria,' give us the 'Gloria,'" thus sang the crew of Argyle.

But 'twasn't to be done, for out of pure fun G. A. Caldwell served out his wile.

"Oh, give me a Look, and give me quickly," thus sang the stroke, that gallant stroke Hickley.

They gave him a Look, but not the award, for Hickley was lost without his best guard.

"'Tis the last 'Rose' of Summer," sang Heitman von Skott.

"And I fear 'tis the last chance now that I've got 'To bust up the 'Vic,' the 'Le L,' and the 'Thistle.'"

Oh if I can win, won't my countrymen whistle?" Then up spoke brave old Master,

"My lads, we will be faster."

Then over 'Vic' or 'Rose' or 'Look' 'Did during the last training week."

"We'll show them what the 'Thistle' can do When pulled by self, Young, Duncan, Wadman too; We'll show them just that they must hate 'If it be the 'Garrison' they will be placed."

BROOKERS' CUP, presented by the Share Brokers of Hongkong; for double sculls; distance one mile; entrance, \$5; to be rowed in boats the property of the Victoria Recreation Club.

"First."  
Station No. 4.—Scarlet and White.  
Bow, C. Robinson, 10st. 8lb.  
Stroke, F. L. Jackson, 12st. 7lb.  
Cox, R. de C. Boyd, 9st. 3lb.  
"Kathleen."—Second.  
Station No. 2.—Admiral's flag.  
Bow, A. G. Stephen, 11st. 4lb.  
Stroke, H. W. Metcalfe, 10st. 5lb.  
Cox, F. O. Lewis, 9st. 0lb.

"Third."  
Station No. 1.—Dark Blue and White.  
Bow, T. E. Griffiths, 11st. 10lb.  
Stroke, S. F. Read, 12st. 3lb.  
Cox, G. F. Watts, 9st. 4lb.

"Lily."—Fourth.  
Station No. 6.—Black and White.  
Bow, H. Bole, 10st. 9lb.  
Stroke, O. Eschwind, 11st. 12lb.  
Cox, ...

At the start the Lily went away with a spurt, but the lead was not long lived, as the military boat quickly overhauled them and took first place. The Kathleen followed their example and left the Lily behind, the Canton boat following suit. At the half-mile the military boat was leading by a couple of lengths, the Kathleen next and the Canton boat some three lengths behind. From this point the military boat never lost the advantage gained, and although the Kathleen made several efforts to come up with them they retained their advantage to the finish and passed the judge's post some length and a half in front of the Kathleen, the Canton boat making a good race for third place.

"AMERICAN CUP."—Presented by the American Community; for four-oars; distance, one mile; entrance, \$10; to be rowed in boats the property of the Victoria Recreation Club.

"Look."—First.  
Station No. 2.—Admiral's Flag.  
Bow, P. V. Oliver, 10st. 12lb.  
No. 2, M. H. Cobbe, 10st. 4lb.  
No. 3, C. H. Thompson, 10st. 12lb.  
Stroke, J. D. Hickley, 11st. 6lb.  
Cox, G. A. Caldwell, 9st. 0lb.

"Shamrock."—Second.  
Station No. 5.—Red and White.  
Bow, A. H. Ough, 10st. 11lb.  
No. 2, A. Duer, 10st. 10lb.  
No. 3, W. S. Taylor, 10st. 11lb.  
Stroke, H. Skott, 11st. 5lb.  
Cox, H. Sampson, 9st. 12lb.

"Thistle."—Third.  
Station No. 4.—Scarlet and White.  
Bow, F. H. Walker, 9st. 0lb.  
No. 2, E. G. Young, R.E., 10st. 6lb.  
No. 3, F. L. Jackson, 12st. 7lb.  
Stroke, Captain Henderson, 11st. 6lb.  
Cox, R. de C. Boyd, 9st. 3lb.

"Rose."—Fourth.  
Station No. 3.—White.  
Bow, G. L. Duncan, 10st. 6lb.  
No. 2, G. H. Potts, 12st. 0lb.  
No. 3, E. B. Gard, 11st. 6lb.  
Stroke, W. H. Potts, 11st. 10lb.  
Cox, R. de C. Boyd, 9st. 3lb.

## "Victoria."

Station No. 1.—  
Bow, H. P. Wadman, 10st. 11lb.  
No. 2, D. H. Macintosh, 10st. 6lb.  
No. 3, J. T. H. Sample, 11st. 11lb.  
Stroke, A. G. Stephen, 11st. 4lb.  
Cox, W. Stopani, 9st. 4lb.

At the start the Shamrock led, followed closely by the Thistle and the Look. The Thistle and Shamrock then came on even terms, the Look falling a little to the stern. Thistle next took the lead, and at the half-mile was leading by a length, the Look being close behind. The Thistle still kept their lead, but Rose, Shamrock and Thistle during the last quarter came up in splendid form. The Look then drew away, and passing the others won by a couple of lengths, good struggle being made for the second place, the Shamrock taking the place by half a length. Time, 7 mins. 12 secs.

"BEILIOS CUP."—Presented by E. R. Bellie Esq., for eight-oars; distance, one mile; entrance, \$18; United Services v. Civilian.  
The crews that started were—Defence, Hickie Jackson, Henderson, Gard, Robinson, Dundas Metcalfe, Oliver. Commerce—W. H. Potts, Skott, A. G. Stephen, A. Duer, G. H. Potts, Ough, C. H. Thompson, Wadman.

YACHTS RACE; for yachts over 10 tons.  
The Ariel, Zephyr, and Naomi were away at 1.55 p.m., getting off in the order named. The wind was N.E. with a force of 3, and the yachts set kites while running before it. A splendid race took place for the first mark, the Ariel leading, with Zephyr second, and the Naomi creeping up, and getting abreast of the Zephyr at 2h. 36 m. The Cow-cow mark boat was rounded as follows:—

Ariel, 3 45  
Naomi, 2 20  
Zephyr, 2 30

Shortly after rounding the Ariel lapped to the southward, the wind freshening to a force of By 2.38 Naomi had assumed the lead, and the Chang-hue mark boat was passed in the following order:—

Naomi, 3 45  
Ariel, 3 15  
Zephyr, 3 11

Naomi and Zephyr made from the Hongkong shore, while Ariel took a course inside Stonecutters Island. The times taken at the flagship were:—

Naomi, 3 44 20  
Zephyr, 3 52 00  
Ariel, 3 53 00

On the run to the Regatta Bay mark Naomi further increased her lead, the time being:—

Naomi, 3 57 10  
Zephyr, 4 03 30  
Ariel, 4 17 00

The Naomi allowing the other two yachts ten minutes, there was little to choose between the three at this point, and an exciting run ensued for the finish at the flagship, which was rounded as follows:—

Naomi, 4 11 00  
Zephyr, 4 21 20  
Ariel, 4 22 05

Naomi therefore won, having made up her time allowance with the narrow margin of 20 seconds to the good.

YACHT RACE; for yachts under 10 tons.

For this race there were only two entrants, the Arrow and the Zythomus, the former allowing the latter ten minutes. The start was made at 1.55 p.m., the Arrow getting a considerable lead at the commencement, and the Cow-cow mark was passed as follows:—

Arrow, 2 31 00  
Zythomus, 2 44 10

The latter was not timed at the other marks, being hopelessly behind. The Arrow finished at 4h. 3m. 25s.

## OPEN SAILING BOATS.

For this there were only two entrants, the Harbour Master's gig and the Sailors' Home cutter. The Commodore's galley, the winner of yesterday's race, went over the course, but could not compete for the prize, being disqualified by her previous win. In gybing round the first mark boat, off Green Island, the Harbour Master's gig, which was in close company with the other boat, capsized, so that the Sailors' Home cutter had simply to sail over the course to win, which she did in 3 min. 49 sec. less time than that occupied by the previous day's race, but this time was beaten by the Commodore's galley, which covered the whole course of twelve miles in 1 h. 20 m., the cutter's time being 1 h. 45 m.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our Correspondents.

## A NEW WATERING-PLACE FOR HONGKONG.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."  
SIR,—Hongkong harbour is doubtless a valuable possession; but it forms anything but an attractive watering-place. The chief attraction to the seaside is the sea sand, the advancing and receding tide, the bathing, the wading without shoes and stockings, the sitting or lying on the beach in the midst of children and sunbathers. We cannot have all this in Hongkong, but we might occasionally enjoy an approach to it. If we got the "Tubular Road" Despatch on the south side of the island may become as attractive as Scarborough. I wonder how many of our population have been there by land? A very small proportion. For all purposes of pleasure Victoria is certainly on the wrong side of the island. We need to sweat at the hill for coming between us and the summer wind. Some have since been fortunate enough to surmount the difficulty by ascending the Peak, and spending there sixteen hours of week days and the whole of Sunday. This is very much like three months out of four; and for those who can manage it, this is a wondrous alleviation to the summer's heat. But there are very many who cannot do it, and for them how great a boon it would be, could they occasionally take a run, at small expense, round to the other side. Houses of entertainment would soon spring up, and the juniors by spending the week end, or Sunday, or an occasional off day there, would enjoy a change the benefit of which would be incalculable. The increased sobriety of this English people is not a little owing to the growth of cheap excursion trains, and their influence in drawing holiday makers away from the local public-houses. It has been truly said that holidays in Hongkong are of little or no use because there is nowhere to go. This would not be true if we had a good picnic house at the Gap, at the south end of the Wong-nei-chong Valley, and a good carriage road to it. We should then be within a short distance of Deep Bay and the charming walks, rides, and drives in its neighbourhood. Instead of our going over to Macao, the Macao people would want to be coming here. The first thing appears to me to be to get a survey made. Who will help?—Your obedient servant,

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**NOTICE** is hereby given, That the FINAL  
 CALL of \$10 (Ten Dollars) per Share  
 in the above COMPANY is hereby made, and is  
 Payable at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI  
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 will be charged on all Calls overdue.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
**J. WHEELLEY,**  
 Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1890. [2697]

**GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY,  
 LIMITED.**

**NOTICE.**

**NOTICE** is hereby given, That an EX-  
 TRAORDINARY MEETING of the  
 SHAREHOLDERS of this COMPANY will be  
 held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on SATUR-  
 DAY, the 3rd day of JANUARY next, at NOON  
 precisely, for the purpose of passing a Special  
 Resolution that the Articles of Association of  
 the Green Island Cement Company, Limited, be  
 amended by adding at the end of Article 3 the  
 words following:-

"Any Share, in respect of which all the In-  
 stalments shall not have been paid on or  
 "before the Sixteenth day of January, 1891,  
 "shall be forfeited, and any Shares so forfeited  
 "shall be deemed to be the absolute pro-  
 "perty of the Company and may be re-  
 "allotted or otherwise disposed of as the  
 "General Manager shall determine, and  
 "any Member whose Shares shall have been  
 "forfeited shall, notwithstanding such for-  
 "feiture, be liable to pay to the Company  
 "all Instalments due in respect of such  
 "Shares at the time of forfeiture."

And by inserting the figures 250 in the place  
 of the figures 2,000 in Articles 41 and 42.

And for the purpose of appointing a new  
 General Manager or Managers.

**C. EWENS,**

General Manager.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1890. [2698]

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**

**THE** Undersigned has received instructions  
 to Sell by  
**PUBLIC AUCTION,**  
**THIS DAY, at Noon,**  
 at his SALES ROOMS, QUEEN'S ROAD,  
 An Invoice of Especially Selected CAMEL-  
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TERMS OF SALE.—As customary,  
**J. M. ARMSTRONG,**  
 Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1890. [2701]

**PUBLIC AUCTION**

**THE** Undersigned has received instructions  
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Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1890. [2700]

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The people's popular place of Amusement,

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**"THE COLLEEN BAWN,"**

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To-night last night of "The Colleen Bawn"

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**MONDAY, DECEMBER 12ND.**

**THE EVER SUCCESSFUL BURLESQUE**

**IN 3 ACTS OF**

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**"LALLA ROOKH"—"LALLA ROOKH."**

**NOTICE.**

Mr. H. STANLEY has much pleasure in an-  
 nouncing that he has made arrangements for  
 the reappearance of that Great Artist Signor

MAJERONI, who will on Tuesday for the last  
 time in Hongkong sustain the part of Cor-  
 poral Simon in

**"THE OLD CORPORAL."**

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24TH,**

**THE BEAUTIFUL PANTOMIME OF**

**"SLEEPING BEAUTY,"**

**OR**

**"HARLEQUIN SAILOR PRINCE AND**

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New Scenery, New Dresses, New Tricks,  
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PRICES as usual..... \$2.00 and \$1.00

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Box Plan Open at 9 A.M. at Messrs. KELLY

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**T. EMPSON, Manager.**

Hongkong, 20th December, 1890. [2641]

**FOR SHANGHAI.**

**THE** Steamship

**"AMOY."**

Captain Th. Lehmann, will be despatched for  
 the above Port TO-MORROW, the 21st inst.,  
 at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**SIEMSEN & Co.**

Hongkong, 19th December, 1890. [2687]

**STEAM TO SHANGHAI.**

**THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship**

**"PEKIN."**

Captain P. Harris, will leave for the above  
 Place about 24 hours after arrival here with the  
 outward English mails.

**E. L. WOODIN,**

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1890. [1]

**NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.**

**OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**

**FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAT.**

**THE** Company's Steamship

**"MEMNON."**

Captain Dorff, will be despatched as above TO  
 DAY, the 20th inst., at TEN A.M.

In future this or other Steamer will ply  
 between British North Borneo and Hongkong  
 only, leaving Hongkong about every eighteen  
 days.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,**

Agents.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1890. [2661]

**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,  
 LIMITED.**

**FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.**

**THE** Company's Steamship

**"HAITAN."**

Captain Ashton, will be despatched for the  
 above Ports TO-MORROW, the 21st instant,  
 at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,**

General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1890. [2695]

**OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**

**FOR YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND  
 NAGASAKI.**

**THE** Steamer

**"AJAX."**

Captain Rawlings, will be despatched TO-MOR-  
 ROW, the 21st inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,**

Agents.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1890. [2635]

**INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION  
 COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND  
 CALCUTTA.**

**THE** Company's Steamship

**"WINGSANG."**

Captain St. Croix, will be despatched as above  
 on TUESDAY, the 23rd inst., at NOON, instead  
 of as previously advertised.

This Steamer has superior passenger accom-  
 modation specially constructed to meet the re-  
 quirements of tropical climates.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,**

General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1890. [2696]

**STEAM TO STRAITS AND BOMBAY,**

(Calling at COLOMBO if sufficient induc-  
 ment offers.)

**THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship**

**"TEHERAN."**

Captain C. D. Sams, R.N.R., will leave for the  
 above Places on TUESDAY, the 23rd inst.,  
 at NOON, and not as previously advertised.

**E. L. WOODIN,**

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1890. [2673]

**NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.**

**FOR ADELAIDE, MELBOURNE,  
 AND SYDNEY, VIA JAVA.**

**THE** Company's Steamship

**"MIKE-MARU."**

Captain Sommer, will be despatched for the  
 above Ports on the 5th of JANUARY, 1891.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**GEO. E. STEVENS & Co.**

Agents.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1890. [2699]

**OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM-  
 SHIP COMPANY.**

**TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS  
 TO JAPAN, THE UNITED  
 STATES,**

**MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH  
 AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE  
 OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND  
 ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING  
 STEAMERS.**

**THE** Steamship "GAELIC" will be des-  
 patched for SAN FRANCISCO, via  
 YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, January

10th, at ONE P.M., Connection being made at  
 Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and  
 Japan Ports.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to  
 address in full; and same will be received at the  
 Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day pre-  
 vious to sailing.

First-class Fares granted as follows:-

To San Francisco..... \$225.00

To San Francisco and return, } 393.75

available for 6 months..... }

To Liverpool..... 325.00

To London..... 332.00

To other European points at proportionate

rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers

of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and the

Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on

application.

Passengers by this line have the option of pro-  
 ceeding Overland by the Southern Pacific and  
 connecting Lines; Central Pacific, Northern

Pacific, or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-  
 embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan

(or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a

discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does

not apply to through fares from China and Japan

to Europe.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-  
 tined to points beyond San Francisco in the

United States should be sent to the Company's

Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs,

San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or

Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company,

No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

**C. D. HARMAN, Agent.**

Hongkong, 20th December, 1890. [14]

**OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**

**CONSIGNEES** per Company's Steamer

**"AJAX"**

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being  
 discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the  
 Godowns of the Undersigned, in both cases

it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will

be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown

on and after the 21st inst.

Goods undelivered after the 28th instant will

be subject to Rent. All damaged Goods must be

left in the Godowns, where they will be examined

at 11 A.M. on the 29th inst.

**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,**

Agents.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1890. [2635]

**JUST-ARRIVED.**

A new supply of

**LEON VON BECKER JUDESEIM**

**H O C**

Laubenheimer ..... per case of 12 quarts \$ 9.00

do ..... " 12 quarts 5.50

Grascher ..... " 12 quarts 5.00

do ..... " 24 " 9.50

do ..... " 24 pints 6.00

Brannberger ..... " 12 quarts 6.00

do ..... " 24 " 11.50

do ..... " 24 pints 7.00

Zellinger Auslese. " 12 quarts 7.00

Apply to

**EDUARD SCHELLHASS & CO.**

Agents.

Hongkong, 21st October, 1890. [1944]

# TOBACCO PROSPECTS IN BORNEO.

Commenting on an article in the *Deli Courant*, a translation of which recently appeared in our columns, the *North Borneo Herald* says:—

The article preaches homilies on the estates on the Labuk, Sugut and Kibabatangan rivers, the "Inspired" party having apparently not visited Darvel Bay or the Marudu Bay estates. As he has signally shown to his own satisfaction and that of the *Deli Courant*, that British North Borneo is at best but a one-horse country for tobacco growing, and as he apparently is never better pleased than when making comparisons between Sumatra and this territory, always to the utter discomfiture of the latter, it would have been better perhaps in the interests of fairplay if he had completed his tour of the estates and criticised them all. The article sums up these facts (P) by cheerfully assuring its readers that Sumatra has nothing to fear from the rivalry of British North Borneo. This being the case, we think it worth while making a few extracts from the body of the article which go far to render the summing up anything but a logical deduction. For the prospects on the Labuk the *Deli Courant* says that though the crop of 1889 was not good that of 1890 is "magnificent" ("beautiful P") but states that all the land in this direction is already taken up. This latter statement is open to question. As the word "beautiful" is used in connection with this river, one hardly sees how it can be argued that in this particular spot tobacco prospects should be looked upon with any distrust. As to the Sugut it is not denied that good tobacco can be grown, but, says the writer, great care must be taken to keep down expenses. This, we fancy, applies to every planting speculation in any country, whatever on the principle of the less expenses the greater the profit. The Kibabatangan, we are pleased to see, is described as a "magnificent waterway within easy access of Sandakan, navigable for a long distance by large steamers." The three estates founded by Hongkong capital are spoken of as having been carried on with too much expenditure and their future existence as problematical. Had he said they had been started on too small a capital he would have been nearer the mark. He says uninterrupted planting could be carried on on both banks of the river, the soil producing good quality tobacco (in some cases rivaling Sumatra) for an indefinite mileage. All this again seems to us to sound anything but signal of disaster to the plantations on this river. We have no doubt that the Hongkong Companies will be carried on either by their present owners or by newcomers who will be only too glad to step into possession if they are open for sale. Over 2,000 piculs of first-rate tobacco will be shipped for the 1890 crop, while the health of the coolies for the last six months has improved under Dr. Wilson's careful supervision to an extent which would have been deemed incredible at the beginning of the year. Desertion is almost a thing of the past, and on some estates coolies have cleared their advances and have earned money. From the above it will be seen, as we have already stated, that the deductions drawn by the inspired friend of the *Deli Courant* who speaks "with authority" are utterly illogical on his own showing. However, the 1890 crop in the Amsterdam markets will speak for itself and we can well afford to let the *Deli Courant* act the part of a Cassandra of the Borneo tobacco prospects. Like the nicotine weed itself, such prophecies will all end in smoke.

## AMOY.

The British barque *Lucia*, now in port, has been sold to Mr. Nils Moller, of Shanghai, for the sum of \$4,000.

We have to congratulate a gentleman in Amoy for his success in bringing in from all accounts a magnificent tiger the other day.

The sailing vessels from the North are coming down in force now, and eleven of them can already be counted in the harbour. We hear there are still seven or eight to come.

A gang of robbers made a raid on the village of Ngo Chun-Seah, situated about two miles from Amoy, at about 4 a.m. on the 10th inst., and succeeded in robbing the villagers of about \$2,000.

The training for the races is going on well, and we may look for some exciting wins when the events come off. The ponies look in excellent trim and are being evidently well looked after. We are sorry to hear that there have been some nasty falls lately.

The birds up country seem very wild at present, or else it is that the weather is still too warm, for out of many parties formed this year few have met with any good sport. We hear that there was one bag of five geese brought in the other day, and fancy this is the best we have heard of this season.

Capt. Wissman, of the barque *Anglo-Indian*, was charged at the German Consulate last week before H. I. G. M's and H. B. M's Consuls, with assaulting a Chinese sailor on board the above-named vessel during a recent voyage from Foochow to Vladivostok and Amoy. The charge having been proved, the captain was fined 600 marks.—*Amoy Times*, 13th December.

## LATE TELEGRAMS.

The subjoined telegrams are taken from Canadian and Australian papers received yesterday:—

### THE O'SHEA DIVORCE CASE.

LONDON, 15th November.

The O'Shea divorce suit came up for trial in the Divorce Court to-day. Mr. Justice Butt presided, and a special jury was empanelled to try the case. The court room was densely crowded with relations and friends of the parties to the suit, and a throng of curious spectators. Messrs. Clarke, Lewis and Coward appeared as counsel for the plaintiff, Captain O'Shea, while the respondent, Mrs. O'Shea, was represented by Messrs. Lockwood and Pritchard. Mr. McCall was present to take charge of the interests of Mrs. Steel, sister of Mrs. O'Shea. Mr. Parnell was neither present nor represented by counsel when the court was opened, and only one prominent person connected with the case as principal was present, Captain O'Shea. The counsel for the respondent, Mrs. O'Shea, stated that it was not his intention to cross-examine any witness or to call any witness on the part of his client, nor would he participate in the proceedings. An immense sensation was caused by this announcement, as the action of the defence condemns Mr. Parnell to pay very heavy costs. The course pursued by Mr. Lockwood, counsel for Mrs. O'Shea, in abandoning all intention either to cross-examine or call witnesses on behalf of the defence, has very materially altered the position of the famous case. Mr. Clarke, counsel for Capt. O'Shea, in calling attention to the changed condition of affairs, said that the prosecution found itself in court with no respondent to participate in the conduct of the defence. In response to a question by Mr. Justice Butt, Mr. Clarke said the counsel for the plaintiff had been unable to find that any one was in court to appear for Mr. Parnell, and that the suit would therefore seem to be undefended.

MR. GOSCHEN AND MR. BALFOUR ELECTED RECTORS OF EDINBURGH AND GLASGOW.

Edinburgh, 15th November.

Right Hon. G. J. Goschen, Chancellor of the Exchequer, was to-day elected Lord Rector of the University of Edinburgh. Mr. Goschen received 1,379 votes and his competitor, Sir Charles Russell, 801 votes.

Glasgow, 15th November.

At the election held at the University of Glasgow to-day, Rt. Hon. A. J. Balfour, the Chief Secretary for Ireland, was elected to the office of Lord Rector, receiving 948 votes, against 717 cast for the Earl of Aberdeen.

### THE PACIFIC CABLE.

LONDON, 21st November.

The committee of Lloyd's Association has urged upon Mr. Goschen, Chancellor of the Exchequer, the necessity for the construction of a cable across the Pacific.

### GENERAL BOOTH'S SCHEME.

LONDON, 20th November.

It is reported that General Booth is parleying with the Government at Perth for land in Western Australia to which he may transfer the subjects of his endeavours at reclaiming the destitute.

### EXPLORING EXPEDITION TO CENTRAL AUSTRALIA.

MELBOURNE, 20th November.

Arrangements are well advanced for the exploration expedition to the unknown portions of Central Australia. There is every reason to hope that the task will be undertaken early next year. Sir Thomas Elder, who bears the cost, has cabled to the Geographical Society that he will leave for Australia by the *H. M. S. Ballarat*, which is due here in the early part of February. All the arrangements will be left for his decision.

## COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

FRIDAY, 19TH DECEMBER.  
CLOSING QUOTATIONS.  
EXCHANGE.

IN LONDON.—  
Telegraphic Transfer ..... 3.6  
Bank Bills, on demand ..... 3.64  
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight ..... 3.7  
Bank Bills, at 1 months' sight ..... 3.7  
Credits, at 4 months' sight ..... 3.74  
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 3.74

IN PARIS.—  
Bank Bills, on demand ..... 4.47  
Credits, at 4 months' sight ..... 4.56

ON GERMANY.—  
On demand ..... 3.56

ON NEW YORK.—  
Bank Bills, on demand ..... 864  
Credits, 60 days' sight ..... 874

ON BOMBAY.—  
Telegraphic Transfer ..... 222  
Bank, on demand ..... 2224

ON CALCUTTA.—  
Telegraphic Transfer ..... 222  
Bank, on demand ..... 2224

ON SHANGHAI.—  
Bank, at sight ..... 72  
Private, 30 days' sight ..... 724  
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate ..... 5.58

## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Banks—		
Hongkong & Shanghai	\$125	261, sales cum new issue
Do. New Issue	\$21.5	\$269, buyers
Do. Fractional Certifs.	\$7.1.8	\$75
New Oriental	\$10	\$13
Brown & Co., H. G.	\$50	\$63
Campbell, Moore & Co.	\$10	\$10, nom.
China Borneo	\$50	\$8, nom.
China Sugar	\$100	\$174, buyers
Chinese Loan '84 C.	\$500	5 p. ct. prem., nom.
Chinese Loan '86 E.	Tls. 250	11 p. ct. prem.
Cruickshank & Co.	\$50	\$45, nom.
Dairy Farm Co., Geo.	\$10	\$12, nom.
Fenwick & Co., Geo.	\$25	\$23
Gordon & Co., A. C.	\$25	\$20, nom.
Green Island Cement	\$50	\$22, sellers
H. Brick & Cement	\$18.50	\$10, sellers
H. & C. Bakery	\$50	\$75, nom.
Hongkong & C. Gas	\$10	\$120, nom.
Hongkong Electric	\$100	\$87, sellers
H. H. L. Tramways	\$25	\$91, buyers
Hongkong Ice	\$50	\$82
H. & K. Wharf & G.	\$50	nom.
H. Steam Laundry	\$50	\$131, sellers
Hongkong Rope	\$125	\$36 p. ct. pm. sales
H. & W. Dock		
Hotels—		
Austin Arms	\$50	\$12
Hongkong Hotel	\$100	\$169, buyers
Peak Hotel	\$40	\$20
Shamoon	\$15	\$10, nom.
Insurance—		
Canton	\$50	\$117, sellers
China Fire	\$20	\$88, sellers
China Traders	\$25	\$64, buyers
Hongkong Fire	\$50	\$830
North-China	\$50	Tls. 300
Singapore	\$20	\$74
Straits Fire	\$20	\$17
Straits Marine	\$20	\$15, buyers
Union	\$25	\$93, buyers
Yangtze	\$100	\$90, nom.
Land & Building—		
H. Land Investm't	\$50	\$90, buyers
Kowloon Land Inv.	\$30	\$14, sellers
Peak Building	\$13	nom.
Humphreys Estate	\$100	\$200, nom.
West Point Buildg.	\$40	\$31
Luzon Sugar	\$100	\$96
Mining—		
Balmoral Gold	\$10	\$114
Charbonnages	\$131.58	\$475
Imuris	\$6.31	\$124, sales
Jeleba	\$5	\$2, sellers
Punjom	\$10	\$5, sellers
Kauba	17s. 9d.	\$1.35
Selama	\$5	\$4, sellers
Do.	\$2	\$14, sellers
Planting—		
East Borneo	\$50	\$10, buyers
Labuk Planting	\$35	\$25, buyers
Lamag Planting	\$25	\$10, buyers
Songei Koyah	\$50	\$10
Steamship Coys.—		
China & Manila	\$50	\$131
Douglas S. S. Co.	\$50	\$48, sellers
H. Canton, & M.	\$20	\$364, sellers
Indo-China S. N.	\$10	25 p. ct. dis. sellers
Steam Launch	\$30	\$30, nom.
Trust & Loan Co.	\$11.16	\$194, sellers
Do., Founders	\$1	\$160
Watson & Co., A. S.	\$10	\$214, buyers

E. & S. COXON,  
Share Brokers.

## THE WEATHER.

MESSRS. FALCONER & CO.'S REGISTER, DEC. 19TH.  
Barometer 9 A.M. 30.14 Therm. 9 A.M. (Wet bulb) 64  
Barometer 1 P.M. 30.03 Therm. 1 P.M. (Wet bulb) 64  
Barometer 4 P.M. 30.02 Therm. 4 P.M. (Wet bulb) 66  
Thermom. 9 A.M. 64 Therm. Maximum 68  
Thermom. 1 P.M. 67 Therm. Minimum 60  
Thermom. 4 P.M. 67 (night) 64

## METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

18TH DECEMBER, AT 4 P.M.

STATION.	Barometer red. to sea level and 32° Fahr.	Temper- ature.	Humidity.	Wind Dirac- tion.	Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours.
Wladivostok	29.65	—	—	N	2	—	—
Tokio	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shanghai	30.15	49	71	NNE	3	b.	—
Foochow	30.21	69	76	NE	2	o	—
Amoy	30.14	67	64	NE	3	o	—
Anping	30.1	73	—	—	0	o	—
Swatow	30.10	66	—	ENE	3	o	—
Hongkong	30.09	65	83	E	3	o	—
Victoria Peak	—	—	—	E	4	—	—
Canton	—	67	74	—	0	org	—
Macao	30.08	69	80	E	2	cm	—
Holhow	30.02	76	—	ENE	3	o	—
Haiiphong	30.04	76	74	S	3	o	—
Bolnso	29.92	80	70	N	2	o	—
Manila	29.93	82	74	SEW	1	cm	—
Cape S. James	—	—	—	ENE	6	om	—

19TH DECEMBER, AT 10 A.M.

STATION.	Barometer red. to sea level and 32° Fahr.	Temper- ature.	Humidity.	Wind Dirac- tion.	Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours.
Wladivostok	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tokio	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shanghai	30.11	43	83	NE	2	b	—
Foochow	30.22	62	77	NE	1	o	—
Amoy	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Anping	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Swatow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hongkong	30.15	66	81	E	4	o	—
Victoria Peak	—	—	—	E	4	od	—
Canton	—	65	84	E	1	—	—
Macao	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Holhow	30.01	73	—	ENE	2	o	—
Haiiphong	30.11	74	80	SEW	1	o	—
Bolnso	30.02	82	74	SE	2	b	—
Manila	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cape S. James	—	—	—	NE	5	om	—

Barometer no change. Gradually rather steep for N.E. winds. Weather cool, cloudy, and damp, with rain in some places. (Issued at 11.5 a.m.)

## HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.09	30.15	30.03
Temperature	65	68	66
Humidity	83	81	83
Direction of wind	E.	E.	E.
Force	3	4	4
Weather	o.	o.	o.
Rain	—	—	—

Highest open air temperature on the 18th ..... 68  
Lowest open air temperature on the 18th ..... 63

W. DOBERCK.

Hongkong Observatory, December 19th, 1890.

## ONE WOMAN'S NERVES.

Looking backward to a certain lonely and unhappy time, a lady says:—

"I dragged on in this miserable condition for years, until I got tired of doctoring and taking stuff that did me no good. One physician attended me for eighteen months, giving me but little relief.

"I slept only in a broken fashion, and arose in the morning very little the better for having gone to bed.—There was often severe pain in my head and over my eyes, and an almost constant sense of sickness. The skin gradually got dry and yellow, the region of the stomach and bowels felt cold and dead, and the natural energy and warmth appeared to be ebbing out of me like the water out of a river at low tide.

"In June, 1889, whilst living at Moreau, Bonremouth, I had a worst attack than any I had before. I was taken with a feeling of cramp, as if pins and needles were running into me, all over my body. I could not move, and had to lie helpless in bed. The doctor was sent for, and attended me every day, but did not seem to know what to make of my case. In fact, he was puzzled, and finally said, 'I don't really know what your complaint is.'

"I trembled and shook and felt as if I should fall to pieces. I was first hot and then cold, and so dreadfully nervous I could not bear any one in the room with me, and yet I did not wish them far away in case I should call out for help. Every time one of these spasms came on I said to myself, 'I am sure I shall never get up again.' I took nothing but liquid food, and yet could not retain even that on my stomach. By this time I was nothing but skin and bone. My



